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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

GOODMAN et al.

Application No.: 09/755,723

Filed: January 5, 2001

For: AUTOMATIC HIERARCHICAL
CATEGORIZATION OF MUSIC BY
METADATA

Art Unit: 2185

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following for the paragraph appearing on page 1 under the CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS heading. A marked up version of the paragraph is appended to this amendment.

~This application is related to Application No. 09/755,629, entitled "System for Selecting and Playing Songs in a Playback Device with a Limited User Interface," (Atty. Docket No. 17002-020800); and Application No. 09/755,367, entitled "Audioplayback Device with Power Savings Storage Access Mode," (Atty. Docket No. 17002-022400); both filed January 5, 2001, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.~

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